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**HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
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**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE**  
**ON**  
**LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

Tuesday, November 28, 2018

12:00 p.m.

Room 519 House Office Building

The House Standing Committee on Local Government was called to order by Chairman Lower.

Members present: Reps. Lower, Crawford, Runestad, Howell, Alexander, Frederick, Hauck, Green, Moss, Ellison, Cambensy.

Members absent/excused: None.

Representative Crawford moved to adopt the minutes of October 3rd, 2018. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid SB 455 before the committee:

SB 455      (Conyers)              Local government; financing; recommendation of a treasurer to a local public entity of 1 or more financial institutions as depositories of public money; provide for.

David Worthams, representing the Michigan Bankers Association, submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak.

Representative Hauck moved to report out SB 455 with recommendation. The motion prevailed 11-0-0.

**FAVORABLE ROLL CALL**

Yeas: Reps. Lower, Crawford, Runestad, Howell, Alexander, Frederick, Hauck, Green, Moss, Ellison, Cambensy.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

The Chair laid HB 6151 before the committee:

HB 6151      (Johnson)              Drains; other; public notice of drain projects; revise for meeting to review apportionments.

Andrew Richner, representing the Michigan Press Association and the Detroit League News, submitted a card in opposition to the bill, but did not wish to speak.

Deena Bosworth, representing the Michigan Association of Counties, submitted a card in support of

the bill, but did not wish to speak.

Representative Crawford moved to adopt substitute (H-2) to HB 6151. The motion prevailed 11-0-0.

Yeas: Reps. Lower, Crawford, Runestad, Howell, Alexander, Frederick, Hauck, Green, Moss, Ellison, Cambensy.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Representative Crawford moved to report out HB 6151 with recommendation, as substitute (H-2). The motion prevailed 11-0-0.

#### FAVORABLE ROLL CALL

Yeas: Reps. Lower, Crawford, Runestad, Howell, Alexander, Frederick, Hauck, Green, Moss, Ellison, Cambensy.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

The Chair laid HB 6499 before the committee:

HB 6499    (Reilly)	Land use; zoning and growth management; definition of state licensed residential facility; increase number of children receiving care at certain child caring institutions.
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Jason and Maggie Dunn, both representing the House of Providence, testified in support of the bill.

Sarah Goad, representing the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Judy Allen, representing the Michigan Townships Association, testified in opposition to the bill.

Jen Rigterink, representing the Michigan Municipal League, submitted a card in opposition to the bill, but did not wish to speak.

The Chair laid SB 671 before the committee:

SB 671        (Jones)	Property; recording; marketable title act; modify provisions relating to preserving claims against title.
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Representative Crawford moved to adopt substitute (H-2) to SB 671. The motion prevailed 11-0-0.

Yeas: Reps. Lower, Crawford, Runestad, Howell, Alexander, Frederick, Hauck, Green, Moss, Ellison, Cambensy.

Nays: None.

Pass: None.

Nick Capone, representing Senator Jones office, and John Bommarito, representing the Michigan Land Title Association, testified in support of the bill.

Tabitha Zimny, representing the Real Property Law Section of the State Bar of Michigan, submitted a card in opposition to the bill, but did not wish to speak.

The Chair laid HB 6531 before the committee:

HB 6531	(Lower)	Labor; public service employment; calculation and allocation of medical benefit plan payments; subject to bargaining.
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The Chair laid the committee at ease, the time being 12:25 p.m.

The Chair brought the committee back to order, the time being 12:26 p.m..

The Chair testified in support of his bill.

Chris Hackbarth, representing the Michigan Municipal League, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

The following people submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Judy Allen, representing the Michigan Townships Association.  
Deena Bosworth, representing the Michigan Association of Counties.

Michael Flynn, representing the Charter Township of Shelby, testified in support of the bill.

The following people submitted a card in opposition to the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Chris Coughlin, representing the Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs.  
Joshua Mosher, representing the Northern Michigan Fire Chiefs Association.  
Montgomery Nye, representing the Michigan Professional Fire Fighters.  
Mark Docherty, representing the Michigan Professional Fire Freighters.  
Matt Lowash, representing the Police Officers Association of Michigan.  
Michael Grodi, representing the Michigan Association of Public Employee Retirement Systems.  
Nick Ciaramitaro, representing AFSCME.  
Todd Tennis, representing the Coalition for Secure Retirement of Michigan.

Representative Crawford moved to adopt substitute (H-1) to HB 6531. The motion prevailed 11-0-0.

Yeas: Reps. Lower, Crawford, Runestad, Howell, Alexander, Frederick, Hauck, Green,  
Moss, Ellison, Cambensy.  
Nays: None.  
Pass: None.

The Chair laid SB 741 before the committee:

SB 741	(Robertson)	Animals; dogs; local government enacting or enforcing an ordinance, policy, resolution, or rule that regulates a dog based upon breed or perceived breed; prohibit.
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Steven Robb, representing Senator Robertson, testified in support of the bill.

Richard Angelo, representing the Best Friends Animal Society, testified in support of the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Ann Marie Rogers, representing Pit Bull Victims, testified in opposition to the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Bea Friedlander, representing the State Bar of Michigan Animal Law Section and Attorneys for Animals, testified in support of the bill.

Constance Cumbey, representing the Orion Oaks Dog Park users, testified in opposition to the bill. Questions and discussion followed.

Molly Tamilevich, representing the Humane Society of the United States, testified in support of the bill.

Julie Williams, representing herself, testified in opposition to the bill.

Lisa Hicks Clayton, representing the City of Dearborn Heights as a City Council member, testified in support of the bill.

Alan Opra, representing himself, testified in support of the bill.

Christine Myran, representing Stiffy's Dogs, testified in support of the bill.

The following people submitted a card in opposition to the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Jen Righeterink, representing the Michigan Municipal League.  
Judy Allen, representing the Michigan Township Association.

The following people submitted a card in support of the bill, but did not wish to speak:

Heather Rosen, representing the Michigan Pitbull Education Project.  
Joi Scarantino, representing the Michigan Pitbull Education Project.  
Linda Morphew, representing the Michigan Pitbull Education Project.  
Term Hodskins, representing the Michigan Pitbull Education Project.  
Laurie Horn, representing Make Michigan Next.  
Michelle Spranger, representing the Michigan Pitbull Education Project.  
Rachel Clink, representing the Michigan Pitbull Education Project.  
Danielle Lambert, representing the Michigan Pitbull Education Project.  
Shannon Hogan, representing the Michigan Pitbull Education Project.  
Christina Isaacs, representing the Michigan Pitbull Education Project.  
Pete Atkinson, representing the Michigan Pitbull Education Project.  
Kristina Hodskins, representing the Michigan Pitbull Education Project.  
Ann Griffin, representing the Michigan Humane Society.  
Tadelle McFadigan, representing the Humane Society of West Michigan.

There being no further business before the committee, Chairman Lower adjourned the meeting, the time being 1:25 p.m.

**Representative Jim Lower, Chair**\_\_\_\_\_

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